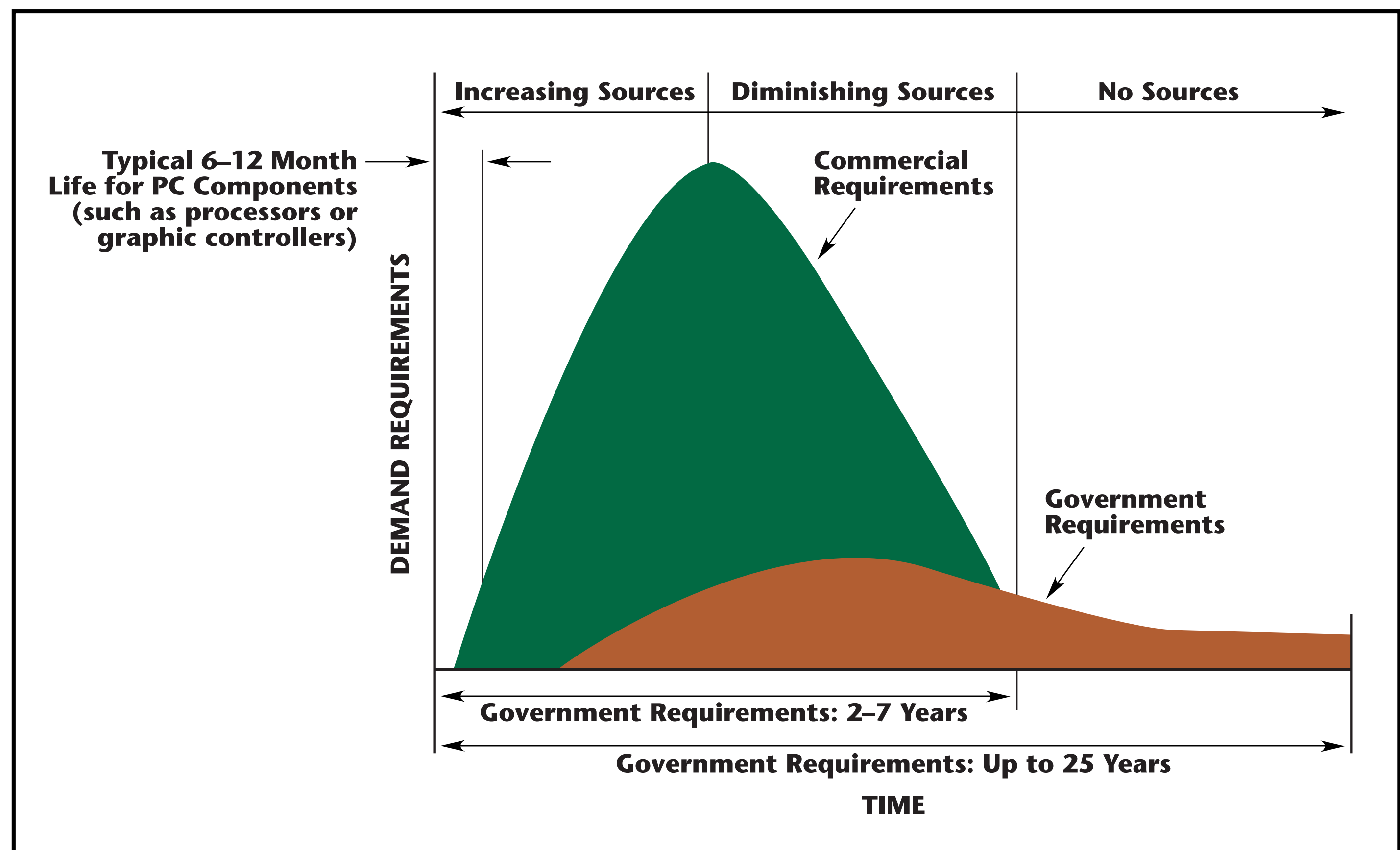




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The Never-ending Saga



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This graph illustrates the gross differences between the component life-cycle needs of commercial and military systems. Even though most commercial-quality components are available for several years, notable exceptions are those intended for PCs that may remain in the market for only 6 months.